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SYNTHASE ENCODING
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Missing parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed August 11, 2004, and in order to comply with the requirements for patent applications containing nucleotide and/or amino acid sequences as defined under 37 C.F.R. 1.821-1.825, Applicants request entry of the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.